Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraph after line 4 on page 5:

The sorbent material comprises a chemical substance selected from the group consisting of a first composition in which a species A has a prevalence of about half that of a species B, and a species X has a prevalence of about four times that of the species A wherein for either composition A and B are metal species and X is selected from the group consisting of oxygen and sulfur. The sorbent material comprises a chemical substance having the first composition, and A is selected from the group consisting of Co²⁺, Cu²⁺, Fe²⁺, Mg²⁺, Mn²⁺, Ni²⁺, Zn²⁺, and combinations thereof, and B is selected from the group consisting of Al³⁺, Bi³⁺, Co³⁺, Cr³⁺, Fe³⁺, Mn³⁺, Ni³⁺, V³⁺ and combinations thereof.